

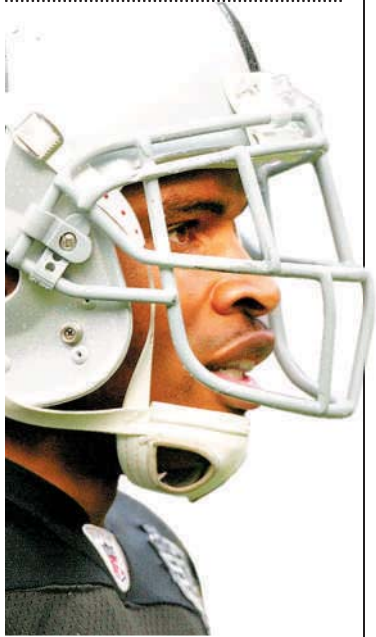
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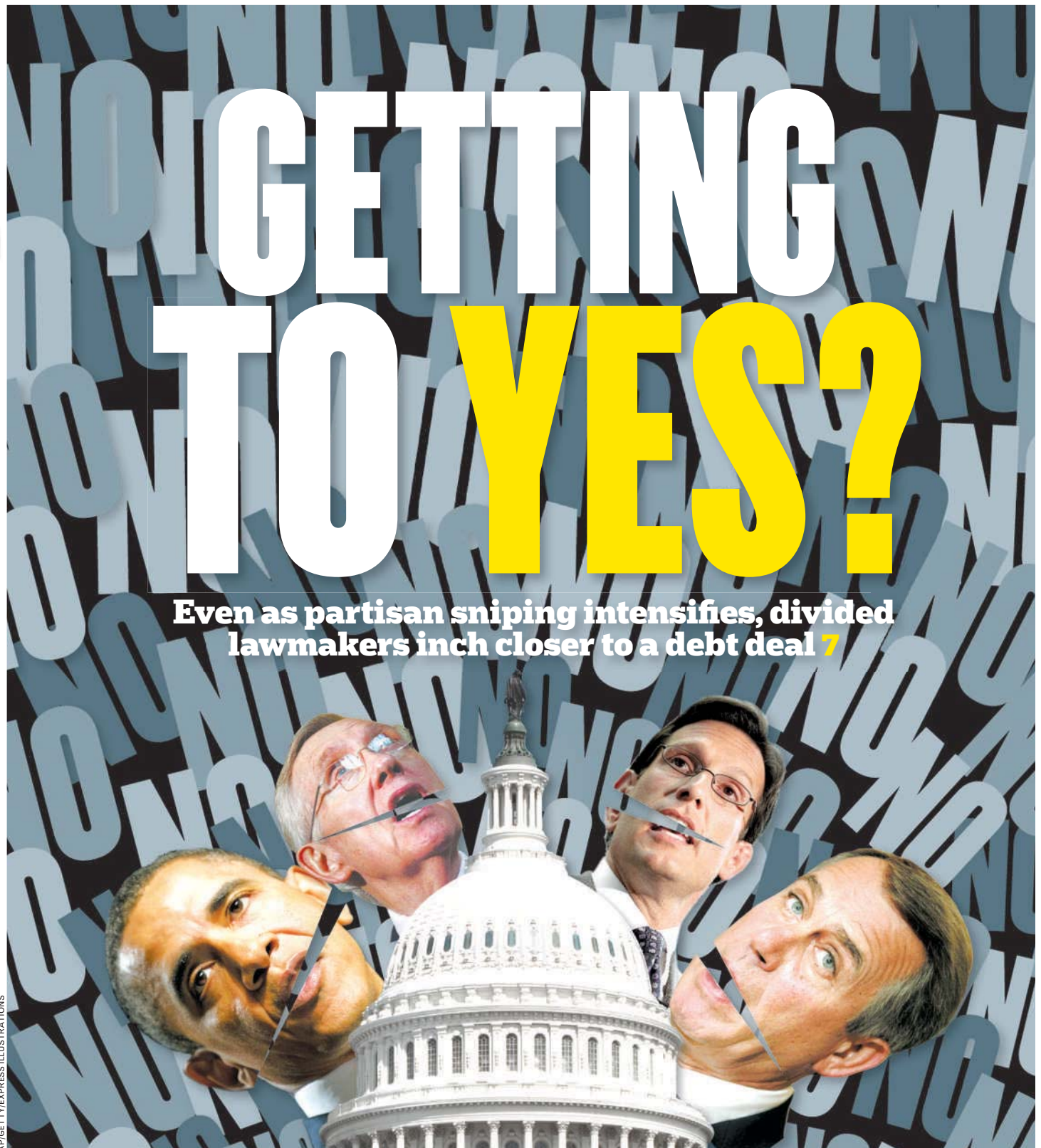
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Police in Salem, Ore., say three men were arrested last weekend after officers responded to a report of the men fighting naked. Police said officers later found out that all three men took the hallucinogenic drug LSD. One was found lying naked in a street, and the other was hiding in a backyard. But police were able to talk the third man into surrendering. (AP)

ZERO-TOLERANCE POLICY

It's a New Vocational Program

A West Virginia public vocational school has been shut down indefinitely after traces of methamphetamine were found throughout the building during an investigation of the principal and a teacher. State Police Sgt. Andy Perdue says the teacher admitted he smoked meth with the principal in the principal's office. He says police do not have evidence the school was used as a meth lab. (AP)

WILDLIFE ATTACKS

It Was Armed With Tiny Arms

Two Australian police officers used pepper spray to fight off a rogue kangaroo that attacked an elderly woman in her backyard in an outback town. Kangaroos rarely attack humans. Senior-Sgt. Stephen Perkins said Tuesday that he had never before heard of police using pepper spray against one — but that the tactic worked. (AP)

The Big Picture



CAUTION: FLAMMABLE: A young Indian artist performs Monday during a procession of the Bonalu festival in Hyderabad, India. Bonalu is a Hindu folk festival in the Indian state of Andhra Pradesh. (AP)

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In Brief

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS

Some Would-Be Jurors
Already Decided on Jeffs

Jeffs

More than 100 would-be jurors in the sexual assault trial of polygamist sect leader Warren Jeffs said Tuesday they'd previously heard enough about his background to no longer presume him not guilty. (AP)

LOS ANGELES

Police Suspect 3 Others
Assaulted at Stadium

Police suspect two men charged with the severe beating of a San Francisco Giants fan at Dodger Stadium assaulted three other Giants fans at the opening day game and are asking other possible victims to come forward, a law enforcement official said Monday. (AP)

MARIETTA, GA.

Mother Spared Prison
In Son's Traffic Death

A woman who was arrested after her 4-year-old son was struck and killed by a van as they were jaywalking was spared a prison sentence Tuesday. Raquel Nelson, 30, was convicted by a jury earlier this month of vehicular homicide. Judge Kathryn Tanksley gave Nelson a year's probation and community service, and offered her a new trial. (AP)

Postal Service Mulls Major Cuts

Financially troubled agency could shutter 3,653 local branches

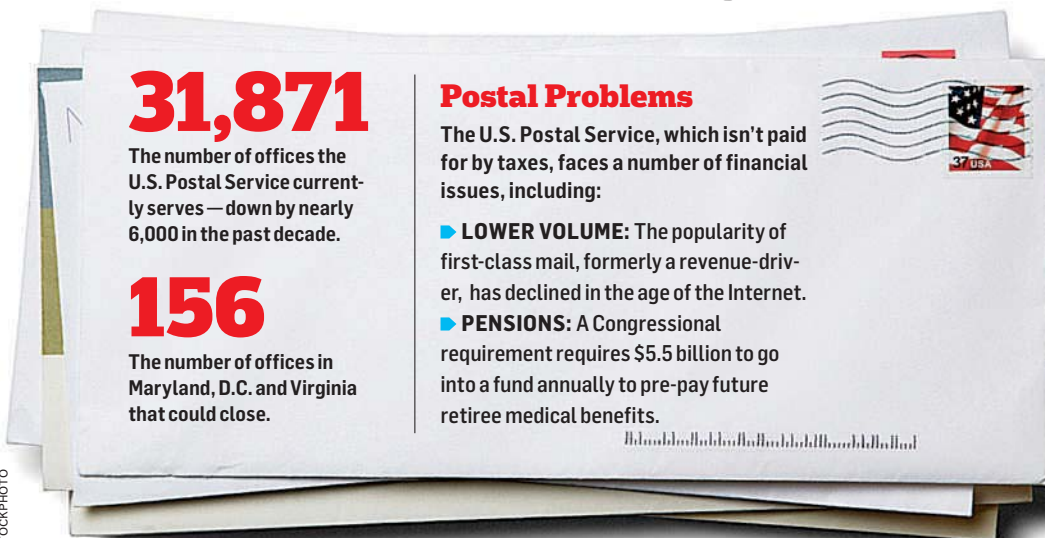
Washington

The Postal Service is considering closing more than 1 in 10 of its retail outlets.

The financially troubled agency announced Tuesday that it will study 3,653 local offices, branches and stations for possible closing. But many of those may be replaced by what the service is calling Village Post Offices, in which postal services are offered in local stores, libraries or government offices.

"It's no secret that the Postal Service is looking to change the way we do a lot of things," Postmaster General Patrick Donahoe said at a briefing. "We do feel that we are still relevant to the American public and the economy, but we have to make some tough choices."

Most of the offices that face review are in rural areas and have low volumes of business. As many as 3,000 post offices have only two hours of business a day even though



they are open longer, said postal vice president Dean Granholm.

Coming under review doesn't necessarily mean an office will close. The post office announced in January it was reviewing 1,400 offices for possible closing. So far 280 have been closed and 200 have finished the review process and will remain open.

Once an office is selected for a review, people served by that office will have 60 days to file their com-

ments. If an office is to be closed, they will be able to appeal to the independent Postal Regulatory Commission.

"Today's announcement is a step in the right direction. There are, however, many difficult decisions ahead that must be made to improve operations, reduce costs, and return the Postal Service to financial solvency," commented Rep. Darrell Issa, R-Calif., chairman of the House Oversight and

Government Reform Committee, which has jurisdiction over the Postal Service.

Over the last four years, the Postal Service, which does not receive tax funds for its operations, has cut its staff by about 130,000 and reduced costs by \$12 billion in an effort to cope with the loss of first-class mail to the Internet and the decline in advertising mail caused by the recession. **RANDOLPH E. SCHMID (AP)**



Healing App: When terrifying battlefield memories come rushing back — causing night sweats, flashbacks or a panic attack — some troops and vets now find comfort by reaching for their smartphones. The newest of a half-dozen apps developed by the Pentagon and Veterans Affairs Department is PTSD Coach. It helps self-assess symptoms, gives instructions in relaxation and helps vets contact the National Suicide Prevention Hotline in an emergency. (AP)



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Nation

Embattled Rep. Wu Will Resign

In wake of allegation, Democrat to quit after debt limit's resolution

Washington

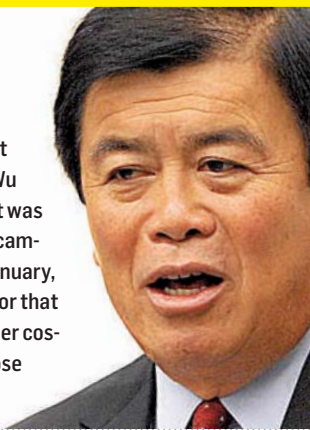
Democratic Rep. David Wu of Oregon announced Tuesday that he will resign amid the political fallout from an 18-year-old woman's allegations of an unwanted sexual encounter with him.

Within days of the allegation, Democratic leaders requested a House Ethics Committee investigation of his conduct. Wu had said Monday he would not seek re-election, but he had come under increasing pressure to step down.

"The well-being of my children

Backstory

Democratic Rep. David Wu, who separated from his wife more than a year ago, was elected to Congress in 1998 as the first Chinese-American to serve in the House. Wu consistently won re-election with ease but was already facing the prospects of a difficult campaign even before the latest scandal. In January, seven staffers resigned because of behavior that included sending a photo of himself in a tiger costume to a staff member. Wu attributed those to mental health challenges. (AP)



must come before anything else," Wu said in a statement. "With great sadness, I therefore intend to resign effective upon the resolution of the debt-ceiling crisis. This is the right decision for my fami-

ly, the institution of the House and my colleagues."

Wu is the second House Democrat in the last six weeks to be forced to resign as a result of a sex scandal. Rep. Anthony Weiner of New York

resigned after sending lewd photos of himself through Twitter.

Wu's hometown newspaper, the Oregonian, reported that a California woman had called Wu's office in Portland and reported an unwanted sexual encounter with him at around Thanksgiving. The paper also reported that Wu told senior aides the sexual encounter was consensual. The woman decided not to press charges because there were no witnesses and it would have been her word against Wu's.

"It has been the greatest privilege of my life to be a United States Congressman," Wu said in his resignation announcement. "Rare is the nation in which an immigrant child can become a national political figure." KEVIN FREKING (AP)

Review: Cancer Is Not Linked To 9/11 Attacks

New York

A federal review says scientific evidence thus far doesn't support adding cancer to a list of diseases linked to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks in New York City.

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health review, required under federal law, is the first one of what will be a periodic investigation of scientific evidence on cancer and the exposure to contaminants at the World Trade Center site. (AP)



ELECTION

N.H. Battleground

Republican presidential candidate Jon Huntsman wants to go head to head with Mitt Romney in the former Massachusetts governor's own backyard. With a laser focus on New Hampshire, Huntsman is quietly assembling what may end up being the largest paid GOP primary effort in the state's history. (AP)

Study: Posting Calories on Menus Helps One-Sixth of the Time

New York

Like any fitness program, it works only if you pay attention to it.

A new study on New York City's effort to encourage healthy eating by posting calorie counts on menus shows that it worked for about one in six customers — or those who paid heed to them. Those who ignored the numbers or didn't see them ordered whatever they wanted, regardless of how fattening it was.

City health officials who conducted the study said that's good news. On any given visit, customers who looked at the counts generally ordered about 100 fewer calories than those who didn't, according to the results of the study published Tuesday in the British medical journal BMJ.

In 2008, New York became the first municipality in the U.S. to require chain restaurants to post the counts. Starting next year, a

Healthier Meals

McDonald's is adding apples to its Happy Meals and launching a nutrition-focused mobile phone app as part of a broader health push. The changes underscore how the restaurant industry is reacting to customer and regulator demands. (AP)



federal law will require all chains with 20 or more locations to print calorie counts on menus.

Lynn D. Silver, assistant commissioner of the city Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and one of the study's authors, said it showed modest gains in getting people to order lower-calorie meals. "Calorie labeling alone won't cure the obesity epidemic, but it is one part of trying to address it," Silver said. KAREN ZRAICK (AP)

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In Brief

CAIRO

Ailing Mubarak Refuses To Eat, His Doctor Says

Mubarak

Former Egyptian president Hosni Mubarak has refused to eat for four days, has lost weight and is weak, his chief doctor said Tuesday, increasing speculation that the ousted leader won't stand trial next week. A delay in Mubarak's trial would likely further inflame tensions between the military council ruling Egypt since Mubarak's Feb. 11 ouster and protesters. (AP)

LONDON

U.K. Tabloid To Review Practices in Scandal

Britain's Trinity Mirror newspaper group on Tuesday announced a review into its editorial procedures in the wake of the explosion of the tabloid phone hacking scandal at a rival newspaper. The Daily Mirror tabloid has come under suspicion after revelations that the News of the World intercepted voicemails. (AP)

CAIRO

Al-Qaeda in Iraq Issues Online Plea for Funding

Al-Qaeda insurgents in Iraq made an online appeal Tuesday for fundraising ideas, saying they are in need of money to help widows and children of slain fighters. Though the militants have funded their efforts in the past by robberies, the group has seen its main source of money, funding from abroad, dry up. (AP)

RABAT, MOROCCO

Report: 78 People Killed In Moroccan Plane Crash

A Moroccan C-130 military transport plane crashed into a Moroccan mountain in bad weather, killing 78 people, the state news agency said Tuesday. It said there were three survivors. (AP)

Norway Slammed for Lapses

Experts: Lax system in Oslo led to high death toll in attacks

Oslo, Norway

When homegrown terrorist Anders Behring Breivik launched his assault on the youth campers of Utoeya Island, he expected Norway's special forces to swoop down and stop him any minute.

But he was given time to kill.

The officers of Oslo's elite Delta Force, which lacks a transport helicopter, were rescued by civilians when their boat broke down en route to the isle. It took police more than 90 minutes to reach Breivik.

"Even taking all the extenuating circumstances into account, it is unforgivable," said Mads Andenas, a law professor at the University of Oslo. His 20-year-old niece survived the island attack.

Those circumstances include that Breivik preceded his assault with a bomb in Oslo. When police finally took note of the gunman on Utoeya, Breivik had been shooting for half an hour.



Mourners gather Wednesday at a makeshift memorial near Norway's Utoeya Island, the site of a bloody massacre on Friday that left 68 people, mostly youths, dead.

Meanwhile ...

On Tuesday, the lawyer for Anders Behring Breivik, the man who has confessed to Friday's bombing and rampage in Norway that killed 76, said his client is likely insane and sees himself as "some kind of savior" of the Western world. Meanwhile, Mario Borghezio, a European parliamentarian who belongs to Italy's populist Northern League party, told a mainstream Italian radio station that he sympathized with some of Breivik's ideas. "Barring the violence, some of them are great," he said. Following a wave of near-universal revulsion against the attacks, the comments were among the first public statements that appeared to defend the extremist anti-Muslim views that drove the Norwegian to carry out the back-to-back bombing and island massacre. (AP)

Fields of Land Mines Bog Down Rebels in Libya

Kikla, Libya

First Milad Saadi and his men pray. Then they walk into a mine field. They wear no body armor or helmets, and dig with their hands.

Twenty paces from the roadside, they find their first land mine. They deactivate it and toss it into a bucket. In less than an hour, they have found 125 such mines.

As rebels press toward Tripoli, they are discovering more mine fields laid by forces loyal to Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi in and



Rebels work to clear land mine fields in western Libya, near the town of Kikla.

around civilian areas. The number of mines unearthed by the rebels is growing from hundreds to thousands, as rebels move into towns abandoned by Gadhafi troops.

Col. Ahmed Banni, Libya's Transitional National Council military leader, said rebels deactivated thousands of mines last week to secure a possible route into Brega.

"It feels like there are reports of new fields every week now," said Sidney Kwiram, a consultant for the Human Rights Watch in Libya. (THE WASHINGTON POST)



Anders Behring Breivik, 34, has pleaded not guilty to terrorism charges in the deaths of 76 people in Norway Friday.

In a final act of bungling, police on Monday revised the island death toll to 68, after a miscount of 86.

As Oslo's police sounded an increasingly defensive note, experts said Tuesday that Norway must learn stark lessons from a massacre made worse by a lackadaisical approach to planning for terror due to the assumption that it didn't face a credible terror risk.

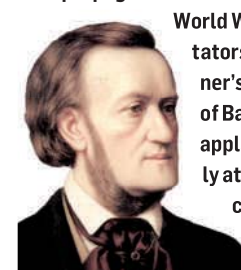
Frank Cilluffo, director of the Homeland Security Policy Institute at George Washington University in D.C., said Norway has suffered the experience of all countries caught off guard by terror.

"Their planners suffered a major failure of imagination, to foresee that the adversary could go that far," he said. "But this is exactly what every counter-terror policy must do to be effective: to plan and train for worst-case scenarios." SHAWN POGATCHNIK (AP)

MUSIC

Sounds of Controversy

The Israel Chamber Orchestra broke a taboo Tuesday by becoming the first Israeli ensemble to play the music of Adolf Hitler's favorite composer, Richard Wagner, in Germany. Since its founding in 1948, Israel has observed an informal ban on Wagner's music because of its use in Nazi propaganda before and during



World War II. Spectators in Wagner's hometown of Bayreuth applauded loudly at the concert's end. (AP)

4,321 The number of people sickened in Germany's E. coli outbreak, which officials declared over Tuesday, as no one has fallen ill for three weeks — the disease's incubation time. With 52 people killed in recent months by the strain traced to tainted fenugreek seeds, it was the world's deadliest E. coli outbreak. (AP)

World

Israeli Discontent Rises Over Housing Costs

Tent protests prompt Netanyahu to issue economic reforms

Jerusalem

Thousands of protesters have set up sprawling tent camps in Israeli cities, forcing Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Tuesday to introduce economic reforms to address a swell of discontent over high housing costs and stave off

35%

The increase seen in Israel's home prices between December 2007 and August 2010. Rental rates there have also risen steadily. (AP)

the worst domestic crisis of his two years in power.

Netanyahu's reforms, meant to lower housing prices, appeared unlikely to end the crisis, which has sent his approval ratings diving.



A boy rests on Wednesday in Jerusalem at a tent camp staged by protesters.

BERNAT ARMANQUE/AP

The protests, which emerged over the past two weeks from Tel Aviv to the desert city of Beersheba, have tapped into a wider frustration over an eroding middle class.

The real estate market, which has driven prices for modest apartments to well over \$500,000 in major urban areas, largely stems from Israel's economic strength.

The economy is enjoying rapid growth, and unemployment is at its lowest in decades. Still, the ranks of the working poor are growing. (AP)

Hearsay

"It's the greatest city on the planet. I'm probably allowed to say that — I'm a Londoner."

— **SEBASTIAN COE**, ORGANIZING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN FOR THE 2012 SUMMER OLYMPICS, SPEAKING TUESDAY. LONDON WILL MARK THE YEAR-TO-GO COUNTDOWN WITH A CEREMONY ON WEDNESDAY TO FORMALLY INVITE THE WORLD'S ATHLETES TO THE GAMES.

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Cover Story

The Quest for Imperfection

Glimmers of a deal emerge within the plans pitched by Reid and Boehner

Washington

Pitched partisan rhetoric aside, the differences are narrowing, not widening, as the divided U.S. government struggles to avert a financial default that neither President Obama nor the leaders of Congress say they want.

Which helps explain why day-old legislation unveiled by the House GOP leadership pulled off something of a political trifecta on Tuesday.

Several rank-and-file conservatives in House Speaker John Boehner's Republican Party attacked it from the right.

From other points on the political spectrum, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid labeled it "dead on arrival" in his Democrat-controlled chamber. And moments later, the White House said that if the measure somehow managed to clear Congress, "the president's senior advisers would recommend that he veto this bill."

"I'm prepared to accept something less than perfect, because perfect is not achievable."

— MITCH MCCONNELL, THE SENATE MINORITY LEADER, SPEAKING TUESDAY ABOUT REACHING A COMPROMISE WITH DEMOCRATS ON THE DEBT CEILING.

Yet the legislation also represents significant movement from a bill the House passed last week. Just as Reid no longer is insisting on having tax increases as part of any plan to cut deficits.

"We have a bill that is reasonable and responsible," said Boehner's spokesman, Michael Steel.

Clearly, not everyone sees it that way. So the crisis continues, and efforts to avoid a market-shattering default



Not So Different

The Senate plan, unveiled by Harry Reid, left, and the proposal announced by John Boehner, right, overlap in significant ways. Both identify about **\$1.2 trillion** in spending cuts to the day-to-day operating budgets of government agencies, though Reid's plan also counts **an extra \$1 trillion** in savings from winding down wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Both would create a bipartisan commission to identify further deficit reductions. **The primary difference** between the two is timing: Reid would raise the debt ceiling so that it wouldn't have to be revisited until 2013, but the GOP would do so for about six months. (AP)

could yet falter in the run-up to an Aug. 2 deadline.

Meanwhile, both sides have been edging toward a possible deal.

Despite calling for a "balanced plan," Obama effectively jettisoned that goal this week when the White House announced he backed an approach by Reid that relies on \$2.7 trillion in spending cuts and no tax increases to reduce deficits.

Boehner, in his rebuttal to Obama on Monday night, said that in Washington, a balanced approach means "we spend more, you pay more."

Within hours, Reid conceded tax increases were off the table in a way that suggested Republicans should concede something in exchange.

"The Republicans have hung tight on no revenues. Fine," he said. "But we are not going to have a short-term extension ... because it would mean that we would come back in early October and be right where we

68%

Get It Done

According to a new poll from the Pew Institute, 68 percent of Americans — including majorities across the political spectrum — now say lawmakers should compromise to strike a deal on the debt, up from 55 percent in a poll taken in April. (TWP)



System Overload

With the House of Representatives experiencing 35,000 telephone calls per hour, the Capitol switchboard was on the verge of being overloaded Tuesday morning after President Obama called on Americans in an address to the nation Monday evening to contact their members of Congress about the high-stakes debt battle playing out in Washington. On an average day, the House gets about 20,000 calls per hour. During the rancorous health care debate, House offices received about 50,000-plus calls per hour. Also, the websites of several members of Congress crashed the day after Obama's speech. (TWP)

are again."

Earlier Monday, Boehner unveiled a fallback plan of his own that differed markedly from the one that passed the House last week. Readying his rank and file for the change, he told them it was "going to require some of you to make some sacrifices."

For one, it shelved a requirement for Congress to approve a constitutional balanced budget amendment as a condition for raising the debt limit.

Both events followed a weekend in which senior aides to Boehner, Reid and Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell spent hours negotiating a deal that could clear both houses.

Republicans said afterward there was a deal; Democrats — not budging on the timeline debate — denied it.

But they resolved numerous other issues, according to officials familiar with the talks, and the two bills now pending in the House and Senate have features in common. DAVIS ESPO (AP)



Metro's Water Rule Controversy

H2O ban lifted Friday for heat; release later pulled from website

Washington

Metro's decision last week to allow riders to temporarily carry water in the transit system was greeted with both jeers and cheers last week. The controversy continued Tuesday when a press release on the issue disappeared from Metro's Web archives.

Some riders expressed surprise that there was a law against carrying water. The system does not allow food or drink, a long-standing

prohibition that officials have said is intended to help the system stay clean and minimize rodent infiltration.

However, regular riders are aware that the appearance of soda bottles, potato chip bags, and other detritus on trains and buses is a frequent occurrence.

Others criticized transit officials for waiting late in the day on Friday, when the region was already more than one day into a wave of record heat, especially when riders sometimes face a gauntlet of sweltering railcars and hot stations.

Metro released the news in a statement that was available on its website. However, the release

Future of VRE

Virginia Railway Express officials will host a strategic planning session Friday to discuss the future of a commuter-rail system. Friday's meeting is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. at the PRTC Transit building in Woodbridge, Va.

(THE WASHINGTON POST)

has since disappeared from the website press release archive, and Twitter users questioned the move. Metro maintains a searchable database of news releases on its website that goes back eight years, and the release no longer appeared in search results Tuesday.

"@metroopensdoors @metro-forward. Why have you deleted the press release about bottled water: #wmata," tweeted blogger unsuckdcmetro, a frequent critic of the transit authority.

Metro's Twitter accounts were silent on the issue. However, in an e-mail response to a Washington Post query, Metro spokesman Dan Stessel said the release was removed to "avoid confusion."

In an interview with Stessel, the Washington Examiner's Kytja Weir reported Monday that there was no plan to lift the ban again unless there's an "extraordinary streak of 100-plus days." **MICHAEL D. BOLDEN** (THE WASHINGTON POST)

METRO PULSE



The USPS revealed new stamp designs. What would you like to see on a stamp?

"Something about celebrating international conflict resolution. A dove is usually the symbol, or the peace sign."

Cathy Pales

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In Brief

WASHINGTON

Wells Calls on Thomas To Resign From Council



Wells

A third D.C. Council member is calling on colleague Harry Thomas Jr. to step down. Tommy Wells, D-Ward 6, is the latest to ask Thomas to resign, after David Catania, I-At-Large, and Mary Cheh, D-Ward 3. Thomas, D-Ward 5, is accused of spending \$300,000 in city funds on a luxury SUV, golf, travel and other personal matters. He is also under federal investigation and could face criminal charges. (AP)

WASHINGTON

West Nile Virus Found In D.C. Mosquito Samples

West Nile Virus has been identified in mosquito samples in the District of Columbia. Local Health officials say residents should take precautions to avoid contracting the disease. While the risk of infection is low and the virus generally doesn't cause significant symptoms, West Nile can be dangerous to older people and those with compromised immune systems. The virus was found in mosquito samples from Cleveland Park and Woodley Park-Adams Morgan. (AP)

The Lotteries

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Evening D.C. Five (Mon.) 9-8-7-6-1

Maryland

Mid-day Pick 3 1-8-8
Evening Pick 3 (Mon.) 3-0-4
Mid-day Pick 4 9-6-7-9
Evening Pick 4 (Mon.) 7-6-9-6
Match 5 (Mon.) 1-13-25-33-35 (17)

Virginia

Mid-day Pick 3 4-1-5
Evening Pick 3 (Mon.) 1-2-7
Mid-day Pick 4 8-4-1-4
Evening Pick 4 (Mon.) 9-1-0-0
Mid-day Cash 5 (Tues.) 7-21-23-24-31
Evening Cash 5 (Mon.) 1-15-20-27-31

All winning numbers are official only when validated at a claims location. Drawings that occur after Express' deadline will be published two days later.

Area Homes Buck Price Decline

Index shows region was lone place in U.S. to show jump for year

Washington

Home prices showed slight improvement in May, according to Standard & Poor's Case-Shiller home price index, but prices were still down when compared with those of May 2010.

The Washington metropolitan area was the only place in the country where prices went up over the past year, with a 1.3 percent increase. Minneapolis saw the largest decrease in home prices, down

11.7 percent since last May.

The report, released Tuesday morning, found that home prices increased for the second month in a row in the report's 10- and 20-city estimates — up 1.1 percent to 153.64 and 1 percent to 139.87, respectively.

Compared to last year, however, the 10-city composite index fell 3.6 percent, while the 20-city composite was down 4.5 percent.

"While the monthly data were encouraging, most MSAs and both composites fared poorly in annual terms," said David Blitzer, chairman of the index committee at S&P Indices in a statement.

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— DAVID BLITZER, CHAIRMAN OF THE INDEX COMMITTEE AT STANDARD & POOR INDICES, IN A STATEMENT ABOUT THE AREA'S HOME PRICES.

utive months of generally improving prices; however, we might have a long way to go before we see a real recovery. Sustained increases

in home prices over several months and better annual results need to be seen before we can confirm real estate market recovery," he said. Blitzer also raised concerns that the increases may be seasonal.

Existing home sales were more or less flat in June, as reported last week by the National Association of Realtors, though the market did see a slight dip due to an unusual number of contract cancellations.

The Case-Shiller Indices calculate from the price paths of single-family homes based on the averages of 10-city and 20-city groups of major metropolitan areas. HAYLEY TSUKAYAMA (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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SECOND-GRADER MOISES SANTOS GONZALEZ, left, reads a book with Elizabeth Johnson, of the Maret School, on July 13. Across the country, schools are cutting back on summer sessions to save money. Some private organizations have stepped up to try to plug the summer school holes. This six-week enrichment program is put on by Horizons Greater Washington, a nonprofit that provides transportation and meals to the students participating in the program. | postlocal.com

5 Slashings Since Feb. at Fairfax Mall

Fairfax, Va.

The Monday attack of a teen who was cut by a stranger at Fair Oaks Mall in Fairfax County is the fifth in a series of similar attacks, Fairfax County police said Tuesday.

Police on Tuesday released additional details about the slashings, which began in February. In each case, the suspect distracts the victim before slashing him or her with a box cutter or razor, said police spokeswoman Lucy Caldwell. All the victims have been young women in their 20s or teenagers, she said.

"The attacks do appear random," Caldwell said. "Certainly no one would be expecting or suspecting anything like this to occur."

The incidents have occurred in the afternoon or evening, when the stores are likely to be busy, she said. (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Old Carpets, New Home: Washington's Textile Museum, with its collection of objects from clothing to quilts and rugs, is moving to the campus of nearby George Washington University. The plan is for the collection to be part of a new museum expected to open at the university's Foggy Bottom campus in 2014. Washington's Textile Museum was established in 1925 by collector George Hewitt Myers and is currently housed in Kalorama. (AP)

Sports

NFL Notes

LOCKOUT FALLOUT

Settlement Agreements Reached in Court Cases

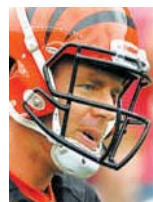
The NFL and players already had let the world know they worked out their differences. On Tuesday, they formally gave word of the settlement agreement to a pair of federal judges overseeing three pending court cases. In separate conference calls Tuesday, lawyers for both sides in pro football's labor dispute spoke to U.S. District Judges Susan Richard Nelson and David Doty to say they've settled, contingent on a new collective bargaining agreement being finished by Aug. 4. (AP)



AFC NORTH

Bengals Dig In vs. Palmer

Bengals owner Mike Brown insisted on Tuesday that he won't trade quarterback Carson Palmer, who wants to leave one of the NFL's least-successful franchises. Palmer, who has four years left on his contract, told the team in January that he would retire if he's not traded. The Bengals have had only two winning seasons in the last 20 years, one of the worst stretches of futility in league history. (AP)



Palmer

NFC EAST

Herzlich Picks Giants

Mark Herzlich, the Boston College line-backer who survived cancer, has signed with the New York Giants as a free agent. Herzlich was chosen ACC defensive player of the year after his sophomore season. He was diagnosed with bone cancer and missed the 2009 season. He returned in 2010 for the Eagles and started all 13 games. He had 65 tackles, forced two fumbles and intercepted four passes. (AP)

Nnamdi Asomugha

The shutdown corner is the top player on the market and is expected to command an eye-popping salary. The Redskins have the salary cap room to sign Asomugha, and his presence immediately would elevate the porous Washington defense.

But it might not be worth taking a big cap hit on one player when the money needed to sign the former Raider could be spread among four or five other players at positions of need.

The Redskins will make a serious run at Asomugha. But after playing in Oakland for eight seasons, he may be more inclined to sign with a contender than a rebuild.



GETTY IMAGES FILE PHOTOS



Marshal Yanda

The offensive line has been a major source of concern for years, so landing a versatile lineman would be a major coup for Mike Shanahan.

Yanda, 26, has played tackle and guard for the Baltimore Ravens and is capable of manning any position on the line. He could be a stabilizing force for years to come. But Baltimore badly wants Yanda back and will certainly rival any offer from the Skins.

Tackle Ryan Harris of the Broncos could be another target if Yanda stays put up I-95.

FREE-AGENT FRENZY

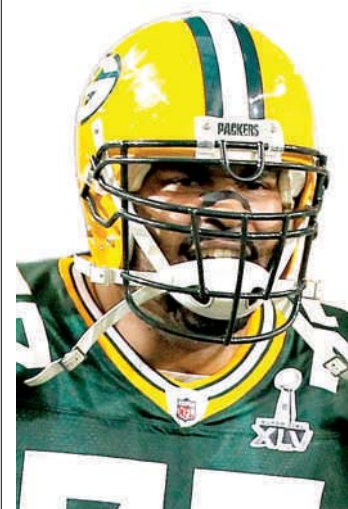
With the NFL lockout over, Tuesday marked the beginning of the wildest free-agent period ever. Teams were allowed to begin negotiating with players, but no signings could become official until Friday evening. Given the Redskins' free-spending reputation and the numerous roster holes, it's no surprise that they've been linked to, well, just about everyone. For brevity's sake, let's take a look at the players who figure to be the Redskins' top targets. ELLIOT SMITH

Santonio Holmes

Although the Redskins have made admirable strides in drafting and developing young receivers, the fact remains that they still need a big-play threat, even if Santana Moss re-signs.

Enter Holmes, a Super Bowl MVP in the prime of his career. He has the breakaway speed sorely lacking from the Redskins' passing game and is capable of making acrobatic catches in clutch situations.

Expect the Jets to fight hard to re-sign Holmes, and if they do, the Redskins could target Holmes' New York teammate Braylon Edwards.



Cullen Jenkins

The Redskins' shift to the 3-4 was a disaster last season, but bringing in Jenkins, the defensive end for the Green Bay Packers, would go a long way in shoring up the front line.

Jenkins tallied eight sacks last season in the Packers' 3-4 set, while the Redskins as a team had only 29. The rumored plan called for Jenkins to team up with his brother as a package deal, but Kris Jenkins announced his retirement last week.

With Albert Haynesworth likely to be cast off and draft pick Jarvis Jenkins not ready yet, overpaying for front-line presence may be worth it.

Wang Set for a Healthy Return

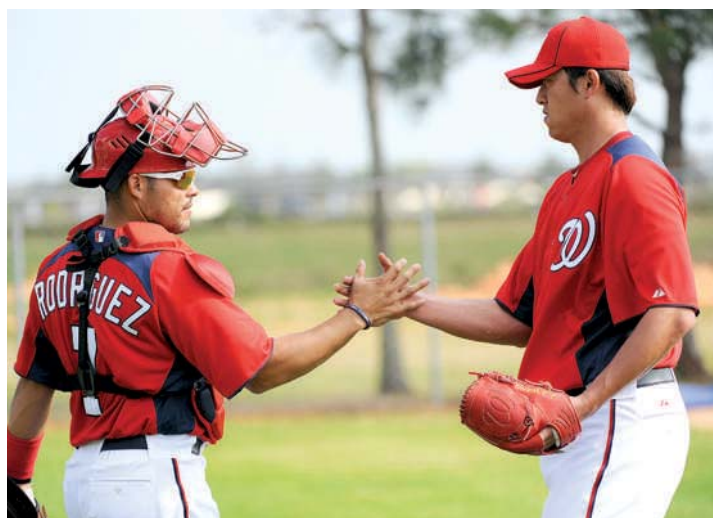
Pitcher to debut with Nats nearly 1.5 years after signing deal

The Nationals

Seventeen months ago, the Nationals staged a news conference before an international collection of reporters to announce that the team had just signed "the Michael Jordan of Taiwan."

Sure, Chien-Ming Wang was coming off elbow surgery, but his recovery was coming along nicely. And after all, he'd twice been a 19-game winner with the New York Yankees. As then-team president Stan Kasten put it, "If he's healthy, it's a spectacular deal."

He was not healthy. Not even close. Wang spent the next 16 months continuing that rehabilitation, in fitful stops and starts, wondering whether he'd ever again climb atop



Ivan Rodriguez and Chien-Ming Wang shake hands during spring training in Viera, Fla.

a big-league mound. But over the last 30 days, during the course of a largely successful rehab stint, Wang has emerged from baseball purgatory, and on Friday night he'll make his first start for the Nationals.

Over six games at four minor-

league levels, Wang compiled a 2-1 record and a 3.14 ERA. He struck out 17 batters and walked only four. His signature pitch, his sinker, at times touched 94 mph.

Should he succeed, the club will have added a proven winner to its

9-14

The Nats' record since Davey Johnson took over as manager, a mark punctuated by a 5-9 record in one-run games. They were 13-13 in such games under Jim Riggleman. (AP)

rotation for the rest of this year. And if he's re-signed for next season, he'd join returning ace Stephen Strasburg and current ace Jordan Zimmermann atop an increasingly strong rotation.

Flores Struggling

Opposing teams have taken immense liberties on the base paths during games started by backup catcher Jesus Flores. Viewed as the Nationals' catcher of the future before a 2009 shoulder injury, Flores has failed to throw out any of the seven runners to attempt steals on him this season. **DEREK TURNER**

In Brief

PRO HOCKEY

Detroit's Draper Retires

Kris Draper announced his retirement Tuesday after 20 seasons in the NHL, the last 17 with the Detroit Red Wings. He will remain in the organization in a still-undefined front-office capacity, but he wasn't interested in signing a two-way deal to play in the minor leagues, coming to training camp on a tryout or playing with another team. (AP)

PRO BASKETBALL

Rookie Event Canceled

With its players locked out, the NBA has postponed its rookie transition program scheduled for Aug. 9-11. The event, run jointly by the NBA and the players' association, provides first-year players with information to help prepare them for their futures. (AP)

CYCLING

Contador Case Delayed

Alberto Contador's Tour de France doping case was postponed for a second time on Tuesday, and will probably be heard in November. The three-time Tour champion was expected in sport's highest court due to his positive test for clenbuterol, a banned anabolic agent, while winning the 2010 race. (AP)

SOCCER

New Heat Over Bribery

FIFA gave Caribbean soccer leaders 48 hours to explain their part in a meeting where Qatari official Mohamed bin Hammam allegedly offered them bribes, or face life bans from the sport. (AP)

MLS Stars Face A Daunting Test

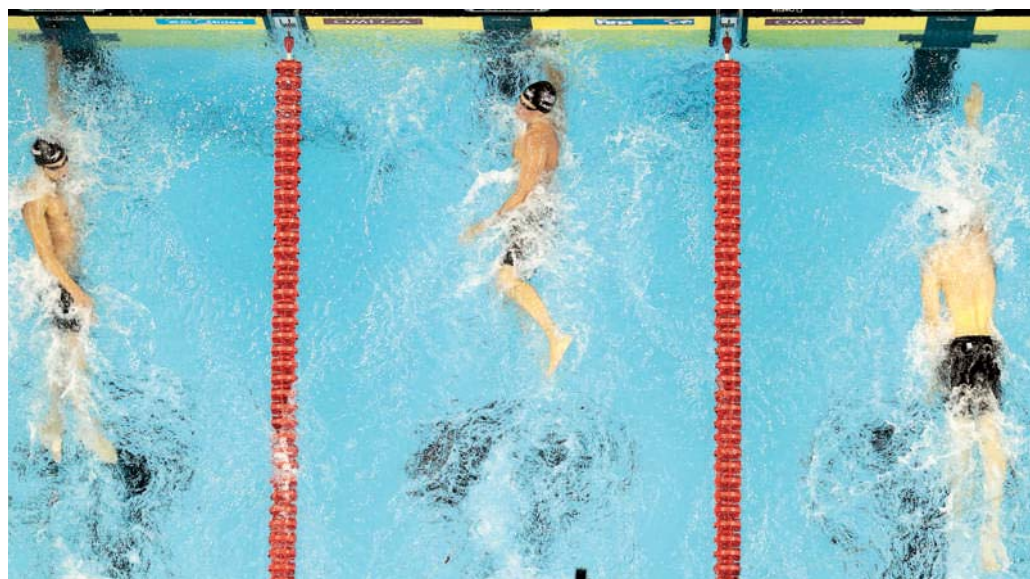
Soccer

Having played for some of the world's best teams, Thierry Henry knows the MLS All-Stars will face a daunting task against Manchester United in the league's annual mid-season classic Thursday.

The MLS will be fielding a team at Red Bull Arena that has practiced together for roughly two hours and will be missing Galaxy forward Landon Donovan (groin) and midfielder Bred Shea (prior commitment).

The game will be the fourth for Manchester United on its U.S. tour. The Reds beat New England, 4-1, Seattle, 7-0, and Chicago, 3-1. (AP)

Lochte Gets the Better of Phelps



U.S. SWIMMER RYAN LOCHTE, center, edges Michael Phelps, left, and France's Yannick Agnel during the 200m free-style at the world championships in Shanghai, China, on Tuesday. Phelps has yet to win a gold through two events in China.

Life's a Beach: Locked out of NBA arenas, Kevin Love is headed to the beach — beach volleyball, that is. The NBA's leading rebounder plans to play in next month's Manhattan Beach Open on the pro volleyball tour and began practicing Tuesday. The Minnesota Timberwolves All-Star doesn't have a partner yet, but says he hopes to survive the first day of the three-day event. Love's uncle Mike Love was a member of the Beach Boys. (AP)



TV Lineup

NATIONALS (7 P.M., MASN2)

The Nats host the Marlins in the second game of a four-game set.

PRO BASEBALL (7 P.M., ESPN)

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Amy Winehouse looked a bit like a gap-toothed Dita Von Teese in 2004, before the tattoos, tabloids and addictions got the best of her. But that's not when Chanel demigod Karl Lagerfeld dubbed her "the new Brigitte Bardot." He praised her '60s-stray-sex-kitten look in 2007, sending a collection of



flouncy dresses and beehives down a runway at a London show. She embodied real-life heroin chic, and Lagerfeld wrongly glamorized that. But the fashion industry is fickle. While it forgives addiction, if the avant-garde turns to "enfant terrible," designers dump muses like players do in Winehouse's early hit "F*** Me Pumps."

In death, fashion loves Amy again.

Like other members of rock's cursed 27 club (Cobain, Joplin, Morrison), dying at 27 transforms her into an icon in both music and fashion. She'll thrive in celebrity lore, avoiding the relative anonymity in which Lauryn Hill and Fiona Apple live in years after they won Grammys. Amy's fans will memorialize her 20-some tracks and mimic her fashion senselessness, too.

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With moombahton, Dave Nada has given D.C. a new sound — one that draws from global beats

Music

Move over, Duke Ellington, Chuck Brown and Ian MacKaye: Dave Nada is ready to shimmy into the D.C. music-god pantheon. Nada is the creator of "moombahton," a bass-heavy genre spawned in 2009 that combines house, reggaeton and dancehall. It's also a raging rump mover on the dance floor, which is why DJs everywhere are falling over their turntables to produce moombahton mixes. Now a resident of Los Angeles, Nada returns to D.C. Wednesday for the fifth "Moombahton Massive" night at U Street Music Hall, performing as Nadaström with Matt Nordstrom.

What type of audience does this mash-up of European, Jamaican and Latino music attract?

It reaches a wide range of people. That's been pretty apparent at the "Moombahton Massive." You'll see tons of young Latino kids, rave kids, mixed kids, white, black. It's pretty awesome to see that. It's midtempo, global bass music.

I hear that your mom comes to the "Massive" events.

When we threw that benefit for [early moombahton producer] Munchi in April, she had the great idea to sell her empanadas to raise money, and it was a huge hit. We did it again for the release party [of the "Blow Your Head" compilation] in June, and again they sold out. So, now it's become a traditional thing.

Is your new moombahton compilation, "Blow Your Head, Vol. 2," similar to hearing you DJ a set?

Sort of. With the compilation, I wanted to show the range of moombahton — it could be really deep and pretty, or really heavy — as well as the history of it. I featured some of the [genre's] original edits during the beginning of the mix, or one of the first big moombahton bangers, then leading up to how it can develop into song-structured tracks. It's like a full night of moombahton. **CHRISTOPHER PORTER**

● **U Street Music Hall, 1115A U St. NW; with Sabo, Zuzuka Poderosa, DJ Orion, Thee Mike B; Wed., 10 p.m., \$5 or free with RSVP; 202-588-1880, Ustreetmusichall.com. (U St.-Cardozo)**



"It translates better in the club. That's essentially what moombahton is: big, heavy, bassy club music that lingers at 108 beats per minute."

— **DAVE NADA**, ON WHETHER LISTENING TO MOOMBAHTON WORKS AT HOME, OR WHETHER IT'S MEANT ONLY FOR THE CLUB SETTING.

Roots of Moombahton

Nada created moombahton by accident. While DJing his cousin's teenage house party a couple years back, he cranked down the Dutch-house jam "Moombah" from 130 beats per minute to 108 BPM. The primarily Latino crowd went nuts—in part because the track suddenly resembled a heavier version of reggaeton, which combines Jamaican dancehall and Latin American styles. c.p.

Core Jams

Shabba Ranks, "Dem Bow": The busy rhythm on this track was an inspiration for reggaeton and, as a result, moombahton.

Silvio Ecom & DJ Chuckie, "Moombah (Afrojack Remix)": This 2009 dance-floor smash started it all.

Dave Nada, "Moombahton": Nada's edit of Ecom and Chuckie's track: slowed, chopped, bass-pumped, with new voices layered along the crowd-rousing crescendos. c.p.

Massive Mixes

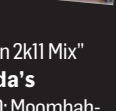
► "Blow Your Head, Vol. 2:

Dave Nada Presents Moombahton"

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► **Dave Nada's** "Foolcast 010: Moombahton Megamix" & "Moombahton" EP

► **Munchi's** "Summer of Moombahton" mix



Stone Comes Up Roses

After splitting from her label, the British singer emerges with a fresh new sound

Music

Sometimes making an album doesn't have to be complicated, as Joss Stone discovered firsthand this spring. The British soul singer's fifth studio record — "LP1," out this week — was recorded in just one week in Nashville.

Going into the sessions, Stone had no idea what the results might be. "I never made, like, a conscious effort to make an album," the 24-year-old says. "I just happened to do it because [producer] Dave Stewart called up and was, like, 'Hey, come play.' So I did. And we ended up with an album, which is quite handy. I like that freedom, and I enjoy just not having to always organize what's going to happen next. It's fun that way."

Stewart (Eurythmics, Bob Dylan, No Doubt, Tom Petty) is a longtime collaborator of Stone's: The two initially worked together on the "Alfie" soundtrack in 2004. Both Stewart and Stone will join Mick Jagger, Damian Marley and A.R. Rahman for the supergroup project Super-Heavy, set to debut this fall. But



For her new disc, "LP1," Joss Stone worked with producer Dave Stewart in Nashville.



LP1
Joss Stone

Stone and Stewart's work in Nashville was solely about Stone's getting back to making music again, on her own terms.

In 2008, Stone began a legal battle seeking her release from EMI. She spent the next year and a half publicly fighting with EMI over the

stalled release of her fourth album, "Colour Me Free." Although it was eventually released, the album underperformed, selling only 93,000 copies, according to Nielsen SoundScan — a far cry from the commercial success she found with 2003's "The Soul Sessions" (981,000 copies), 2004's "Mind Body & Soul" (1.3 million) and 2007's "Introducing Joss Stone" (652,000).

Stone officially split with EMI last year, and in January, she announced that she was launch-

"It is surprisingly rock-y. I've never done anything rock-y before. ... It definitely doesn't sound English, [but] it's definitely still soulful."

ing her own label, Stone'd Records. Perhaps fittingly, "LP1" — released in partnership with indie Surf-dog Records — ushers in a fresh sound.

Like her previous albums, the new disc centers on Stone's full-bodied voice. At times she belts out lines from deep within her chest, and at others she's merely whispering. But where her other albums trafficked in retro soul, "LP1" is a mashup of folk rock, country and soul R&B. Songs like "Newborn," "Cry Myself to Sleep" and "Landlord" are built around acoustic guitar strums and bluesy organ riffs.

"It is surprisingly rock-y," Stone says of the project. "I've never done anything rock-y before. I don't feel like it sounds country, but I feel like it sounds Nashville-y. That twang. It definitely doesn't sound English, [but] it's definitely still soulful."

PAUL CANTOR (BILLBOARD.COM)

Wal-Mart Takes on Netflix

The big-box retailer unveils a streaming video rental service

Online

Now playing: movies at Wal-Mart.com.

The world's largest retailer on Tuesday started streaming many movies the same day they come out on DVD, in a second bid for a share of popular movie rental and streaming website Netflix Inc.'s business and just two weeks after Netflix announced new price increases.

Wal-Mart Stores Inc. bought video-streaming service Vudu.com 18 months ago and now offers 20,000 titles that can be viewed on almost any device with Internet access, from computers to televisions to Sony's PlayStation3 and other Blu-Ray disc players.

Movies are available at Wal-Mart.com to rent for \$1 to \$5.99 or to purchase for \$4.99 and up. Wal-Mart is not offering subscriptions, making its service more similar to Apple Inc.'s iTunes, which charges \$3.99 to rent newly released movies and \$14.99 to buy a movie. (AP)

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1 A Bedtime Story For Grown-Ups

Adam Mansbach's profane, beautifully illustrated "Go the F*** to Sleep," shown, caused a minor ruckus when its sales went through the roof and everyone started writing about what that meant for America. You can ask him when he reads from and signs the book tonight.

P.J. Clarke's, 1600 K St. NW; 6 p.m., free, e-mail gotosleep@brandlinkdcrsvp.com to RSVP; 202-463-6610, Pjclarkes.com. (Farragut North)

2 Mind Your Money

To the general public, the vagaries of the economy often seem beyond understanding. But every time some doofus says, "Well, why should I care if the country defaults on its debt?," Adam Davidson and Alex Blumberg, who host NPR's Planet Money, are there to explain. The pair will speak and welcome questions from doofuses and non-doofuses alike. *Sixth and I Historic Synagogue*, 600 I St. NW; 7 p.m., \$25 or \$20 in advance; 202-408-3100, Sixthandi.org. (Gallery Place)

3 Permanent Ink

Tattooing is an ancient practice with a thriving artistic tradition, and anthropologist Lars Krutak will tell you all about its place in the world during his lecture at the Smithsonian. Unfortunately, he will not be doing any demonstrations on audience members. *Ripley Center*, 1100 Jefferson Drive SW; 6:45 p.m., \$40; 202-633-3030, Residentassociates.org. (Smithsonian)

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We're All Made of Stars

A new series explains the origins of life and the Earth's elements

Documentary

SCIENCE
9:00

Imagine a mind-blowing science series hosted by a handsome former-pop-star-turned-physicist and you've come up with Brian Cox's "Wonders of the Universe." It's a heady trip he's invited us to join, a voyage to rival Carl Sagan's "Cosmos." Cox presides over his series like an evangelist for physics and chemistry — with the periodic table as his bible.

The origin of all elements and life itself, he explains with reverent enthusiasm, can be found in the stars. Make that in the death of stars. Stars and suns much greater than our own operate for billions of years on pretty basic fusion involving mostly the two simplest elements, hydrogen and helium. But when they run out of gas, literally — and expand, explode and col-



BRENDAN MCGINTY/BBC

Musician-turned-physicist Brian Cox visits Karnak temple's Hypostyle Hall in Egypt.

lapse upon themselves — they create incredible heat that fuses the more complex elements. And valuable elements, such as gold, are forged only in the rarest of cosmic events — supernovas.

To illustrate these complex notions, Cox borrows from ancient religion and visits a shrine in Nepal dedicated to Shiva, the destroyer god, and the belief that all existence is a cycle of creation and destruc-

tion. To make the implosion of stars seem more dramatic, he enters a prison in Brazil slated for demolition. But the most dramatic element of "Wonders" is Cox himself, a natural showman and a polished teacher with an infectious enthusiasm for his subject. Over the next three weeks, Cox holds court on the origins of consciousness, the force of gravity and the nature of light.

KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNIVERSAL UCLICK)

Best Bets

NBC
8:00



Minute To Win It An Arizona woman and a Massachusetts man continue their efforts to win the \$1 million prize with a challenge involving chopsticks and nuts. Later, a California woman and her brother attempt a tricky maneuver with a banana and an orange. Guy Fieri, shown, hosts.

HIST
9:00

Meat America Vegetarians, beware! Chef and meat expert Jamie Stachowski hosts this new two-hour journey through all things carnivorous, revealing the roots of the hot dog, sampling longhorn beef in Texas and enjoying a Louisiana feast with all kinds of animals on the menu.

A&E
10:00

Storage Wars Barry Weiss has his eye on a "knockout" unit, while Dave Hester pursues one that's full of electronics, Jarrod Schulz wants a "gangsta" locker, and Darrell Sheets discovers a classic movie prop.

USA
10:00

Necessary Roughness Dr. Dani has a new client: a professional poker player who wants her to help him uncover the "tell" that's causing his losing streak. The Hawks hire a publicist to help improve T.K.'s (Mehcad Brooks, shown) image. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)



Comedy



Model Advice

On "Melissa & Joey" (8 p.m., Fam), someone approaches Lennox (Taylor Spreitler, right, with Vivica A. Fox) in the mall and asks her to become a model. She's all for it — now all she has to do is get permission from Mel. Meanwhile, Ryder gets some guidance from Joe on asking a girl out on a date. (TM)

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A Real Buzz Chill

Brew up (and cool down) with iced coffee that's easy to make

Drinks

The first step in making a great cup of iced coffee isn't to fill your glass with Joe. It's to fill it with ice, all the way to the rim.

"The more ice, the less water in your drink," says Giorgio Milos, the New York-based North American barista-in-residence for revered Italian coffee brand Illy. "If you just put coffee in a cup with two ice cubes, the cubes dissolve immediately. But put coffee in a cup with 10 of them, and it chills down faster."

Experts agree: The more concentrated your initial brew, the better. And sometimes, in a steamy summer, a jolt of cold Joe can make life a little more tolerable. Besides providing a caffeine fix, chilled java opens the door to different flavors, brewing methods and serving styles. At times, iced coffee even blurs the line between dessert and drink (Ever heard of an "affogato"? See the box at right).

"Some coffees will just taste better than others iced," says Miguel Cervoni, a barista at Peregrine Espresso's new Logan Circle branch (1718 14th St. NW; 202-525-5127). "A lighter-bodied coffee is awesome iced. And the cool factor definitely helps when the heat index is about 100. It's immediately consumable, whereas sometimes hot coffee might be too hot."

There are a variety of ways to pour a better iced brew. If you have a regular filter machine, prepare a pot that's twice as strong as you'd normally make for a hot drink. Then, go heavy on the ice, since some of it will melt and dilute the

Double-walled Pavina glass mugs by Bodum (\$22-\$26; Sweetmarias.com) help chilled caffè (or hot Joe) retain its temperature longer.



← Fred & Friends' **Cool Beans ice cube trays** (\$8, Amazon.com) turn out cute, bean-shaped morsels that cool down your caffè without ruining the water-to-caffeine ratio.

Honduras' **Finca el Puente beans** make a light, earthy brew that's perfect for triple-digit temps, says Miguel Cervoni, a barista at Peregrine Espresso's new D.C. location (\$13-\$15, 1718 14th St. NW; 202-525-5127).



Try the cold-brewed method by using a basic **French press** in a bold hue, such as Bodum's vivid violet model (\$40, Organize.com).



Grind beans just before using them to ensure your drink tastes as fresh as possible, Illy's Giorgio Milos recommends. Pulverize with the sleek steel **Capresso grinder**, which has a blade and beaker to help keep heat buildup to a minimum, preserving flavor (\$30, Surlatable.com).

coffee. Milos mixes both hot and cold ingredients together in a cocktail shaker first, then strains the liquid into an ice-filled glass.

"The best iced coffee is made by shaking a double espresso with a lot of ice and maybe a little simple syrup," he says. More concentrated coffees — like those prepared using a French press, stove-top Moka pot or an espresso machine — are ideal, Milos says.

Other, less conventional methods are worth experimenting with, too. Milos likes the surprisingly simple cold-brew technique: Load a French press with coffee grinds, add cold water, and leave it overnight for at least 12 hours. In the

morning, filter and pour. "It's a different coffee," Milos says. "It's not acidic, but it's sweet and bitter."

Baristas at Peregrine use the Japanese method of pouring boiling water atop coffee inside funnel-shaped Beehouse ceramic drippers (\$15 at Peregrine shops). The resulting extra-strength brew then drips down into an ice-filled cup. Peregrine owner Ryan Jensen likes lighter-bodied, citrusy beans like those from Kenya or Ethiopia's Yirgacheffe region. "They have what I'm looking for in an iced coffee, something that's refreshing, kind of juicy, if you will," he says.

Which sounds pretty summery to us. **KATIE ABERBACH (EXPRESS)**

Sweet Spot

Italian Coffee's Dolce Vita

Illy barista Giorgio Milos, whose job includes educating baristas who work in the company's cafes across the U.S. (including 1143 New Hampshire Ave. NW; and 2800 S. Potomac Ave., Arlington), says the Italian "affogato" is his favorite way to enjoy espresso during the summer: "Top a scoop of vanilla ice cream with espresso," Milos says. "It's not a coffee; it's a dessert." **K.A.**

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"Nabb is all but gone!"

Grossman has been hot and cold. Beck is unproven. Unless there's a good QB in the free agent market for the Redskins' need, it's anyone's guess."

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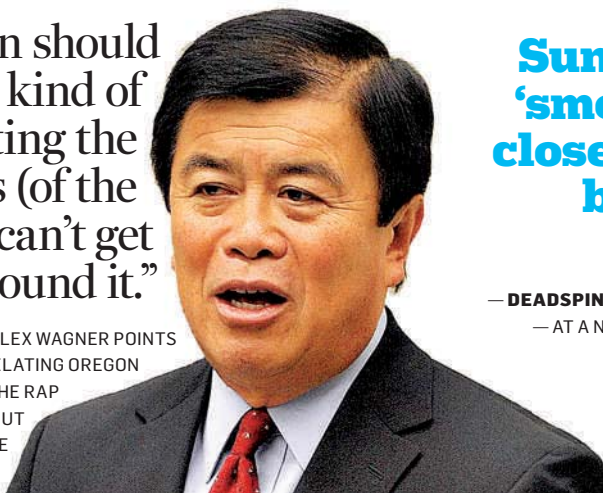
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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You may have trouble reconciling what happens with how you feel about it. Indeed, emotional truth is not always fully apparent.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You're in need of a little inspiration, and it may well come your way, but you may have trouble seeing it for what it really is.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Now is the time for you to state things in an upright, forthright and honest way, even when you fear that your words might hurt someone.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You will want to avoid the trendy and focus on those things that are timeless, lasting and high in quality and value.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) That which is genuine will always be of great importance to you, and you'll be reminded of this in a significant way.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You'll have your hands full with some very ordinary things, but the sheer volume of work will challenge you in unexpected ways.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You can stretch your resources even further than usual, especially your money, which can buy you more than expected.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) How you look and feel is just as important as what you say and do — and, at the very least, they will all be closely integrated.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You'll have little information as you begin the day, but later on you'll be able to gather just enough to serve you and your efforts.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You can prove to your rivals that you're in it to stay. It's a good time to make detailed plans that seem, to you, to be fool-proof.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You can clear things up before the day is over and help others put to bed an issue that has been unexpectedly and unnecessarily complicated.

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Yesterday's Solution

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Today: Sunny to partly cloudy and hot today. Clear to partly cloudy tonight.

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Tomorrow: Sunshine and patchy clouds tomorrow. Partly cloudy tomorrow night.

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WEDDING BELLES

We Have Nothing Snarky To Say About This Item

With New York becoming the sixth state to legalize same-sex marriage, actress Heather Matarazzo, left, plans to wed longtime girlfriend Caroline Murphy, right. "My eyes and spirit have opened up since I found someone that I get to share my life with," Matarazzo says of Murphy. But the couple decided not to get married on the first day the law took effect. (AP)



FAMILY SQUABBLES

Jackson's Family Fighting, Everyone's Totally Shocked

Michael Jackson's mom and four of his siblings announced plans Monday for a tribute concert later this year in Wales. But within hours of their announcement of "Michael Forever — The Tribute Concert," brothers Jermaine Jackson and Randy Jackson said they opposed the show because it will be held during the trial of a doctor charged in their brother's death. (AP)



LaToya Jackson has announced she will make this face until she gets her way.

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**If She's Bored, Can't She Run for Senate?**

Singer Beyoncé Knowles says she would like to create her own cookbook focusing on her mother's soul food. According to a source in the Daily Mirror, Knowles is keen on preserving her mother's recipes for Southern staples such as corn bread and has spoken to friend and cookbook author Gwyneth Paltrow about it. (EXPRESS)



The Anthony and Cleopatra of the modern era have stunned the world again.

HEARTBREAK IN 140 CHARACTERS

Never Saw It Coming

Though they announced their engagement six months ago, Jesse James and Kat von D have now split up. Von D, a tattoo artist, revealed the breakup via Twitter, saying "I am no longer w Jesse, and out of respect for him, his family and myself, thats all the info I'd like to share. Thanks for respecting that." James was famously married to Sandra Bullock before news of his numerous affairs ended that relationship last year. (EXPRESS)



BOAT PEOPLE

Wealthy Man Polite, Nice To Some Regular People

Steven Spielberg was vacationing on his yacht off Sardinia when his boat apparently traveled within 900 feet of shore when it dropped him off on a beach. The coast guard arrived while the director signed autographs and informed him that he'd need to pay a fine for the infraction. The director did not protest and paid the next day, according to officials. (EXPRESS)

"just got stopped by a ton of cops... my costume is illegal...the butt....sigh"



— ADRIENNE CURRY, "AMERICA'S NEXT TOP MODEL" WINNER, WHO WAS KICKED OUT OF COMIC-CON BECAUSE HER "AEON FLUX"-INSPIRED COSTUME WAS DEEMED TOO SKIMPY.

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